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Mr. Vernon Williams, Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20423

Re: Missouri Pacific Railroad Company -- Abandonment Exemption -- in Red River and Bowie Counties, TX. Docket No. AB-3 (Sub-No 137X)

Dear Mr. Williams

In reference to the Joint Motion of Rails to Trails Conservancy ("RTC") and the cities of Avery, Annona, and Clarksville in Red River County, Texas for Substitution of New Railbanker/Interim Trail Manager regarding the above-referenced docket, pursuant to Section 8(d) of the National Trails Systems Act, 16 U.S.C. § 1247(d), the three cities will assume responsibility for the corridor as follows

City of Clarksville - from Milepost 61.5 to Engineering station 2956+80 (near Milepost 56)  
City of Annona - from Engineering station 2956+80 (near Milepost 56) to Engineering station 2587+20 (near Milepost 49)  
City of Avery - from Engineering station 2587+20 (near Milepost 49), to Milepost 42.59

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me, at (202) 974-5142.

Very truly yours,

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